THE FARM AND GARDEN.

FARMERS SHOULD GROW CELERY. The liking for celery is an acquired one, like that for tomatoes. But no plant grown is more healthful, and it should be more generally on farmers' tables during fall and winter. It costs a good deal to buy celery, as it requires extra rich ground and a good deal of labor to grow it fit for market. When the conditions are night the market gardener finds celery one of the most reliable and most profitable crops. If farmers more generally grew celery, what they did not need for their own use could be most profitably sold .- Besten Oulticator.

THE MOUTH OF THE HORSE. Be eareful of the horse's mouth. Men who jerk the reins because they are too mad to be sensible and humane, should have a bit placed in their own mouths and have it jerked by some brutal fellow who would enjoy giving pain. In breaking colts be very careful about the mouth; and never bit an animal that has a sore mouth while it continues so. The mouth of the horse should be more frequently examined than it usually is. Sometimes there is inflammation that needs attention, and occasionally it may even be necessary to draw a tooth. It is by no means uncommon that the poor condition of a horse can be traced to some ailment of the mouth which prevents the proper mastication of the food. It is not much trouble to open the mouth and look into it, and it will often prevent trouble .-New Orleans Times-Democrat.

WHY DO BEES SWARM? Why do bees swarm? is a very simple question to answer. In the first place, they are built on that plan, and, next, when the honey-flow is good, they commence to rear queens, and a few days before a queen is ready to "break her shell" and come out, she makes a piping noise, resembling the peeping of a young chick. The old queen makes for the young queen-cell, and will destroy the queen if the "bee-guards" do not prevent her. But, if they prevent it, the old queen kicks up a muss in the hive, and the workers catch the excitement and begin to fill up with honey-not "brood food" -the old queen leaves, and the filled bees follow.

To prevent swarming, persons who use the frame-hive can do so by raising out the frames and finding the queen-cells. Cut them out, and there will be no swarming, if they are kept cut out. This is the only preventive. I've kept bees eighteen years, and can control the swarming every time.-Prairie Farmer.

THE ROPE CURE FOR KICKERS.

During the last thirty-five years neighbor has cured over twenty horses of the kicking habit, without failing in any case attempted. Following is his method: Take a half-inch rope that has been stretched until it cannot stretch any more, tie it around the horse six inches back of the pad and bellyband of the harness; insert a short stick and twist it up nearly as tight as the rope will bear without breaking, and tie the stick so that it will stay. Fasten the horse in a stall where there is room behind him to wield a long lash whip, then strike him around the hind legs quite severely; at the second or third blow he will generally wick with both feet with all his might, but only for two or three times. If he has been in the habit of kicking in harness, drive him with the rope on two weeks, or until he quits making any threats. Some will kick once or twice with one foot, and bob up and threaten for several days. They should be tickled or teased, or have a basket or pail thrown under them or tied to a hind foot several. times a day to make them try to kick, and until they cease to make any effort. in that direction. The remedy is then offectual. After driving the animal half an hour the rope should be tightened. This will also cure bucking horses or any which try to throw their rider .- New York Tribune. --

CHANGE OF PASTURE. It is a too common practice for land devoted to the pasture to be given to the stock in a body, over which they have continuous and unrestricted range. That this is not good policy is apparent. The whole pasture surface is kept constantly fouled and tread down. No portion of it is allowed to freshen up during the grazing season. Actual test has proven that two five-acre pastures, fed alternately, are worth much more than one ten-acre field fed continuously. The grass roots have a much better chance to in the former, especially in the dry time. They are not then constantly trampled. and the protecting growth above fed down. One-half the pasture is allowed an uninterrupted growth of several days while the other is being fed. This in turn will offer fresh feed while the first is getting a rest, and so, alternately

through the growing season. The expense of thus separating the pasture into parts is slight indeed compared with the benefits realized. It is supposed that the pasture is already surrounded with fence. All that is required to make the division is to run a fence across the pasture. This fence may usually be of a rather light, temporary character, as there is nothing on either side to tempt stock to make a breach, and no great damage to be done if they do. Movable panels may be staked in place, or three wires strung to form the division. The cost of this improvement in a ten-acre pasture would not be over eight dollars or ten dollars, while the gain in a single season will treble this amount .-American Agriculturist.

MOULTING. Some of the young hens have already shed feathers and the process will go on until late in the fall. The Poultry Monthly says: With healthy fowls the change passes over easily and quickly, while with others it is slow and irregular. Nature never intended that it should be protracted and injurious to their future usefulness. We know it is a severe drain on the fowls, still if they are healthy and get plenty of nutritious food of the proper quality for feather making, and are kept away from chilly rains, there is no dan-

During moulting the best hens usually decline to lay eggs, and they lose their vivacity. When they moult early, there is a probability that they will begin to lay early in winter; for this reason alone young hens are preferred as the main stock; they will lay more eggs, and their flesh is fit for the table when needed. A few old hens for sitting may be advisable, but the one who says that old hens are to be preferred to young ones, must have a

warped and senseless judgment. It is a good plan to separate the males from the females during moulting; there is no necessity for companionship, as the season of breeding is over, and it is better that the breeders should have rest to recuperate after a season's work, so more directly under the breeder's supervision, and he can detect their ills and thirty-five feet broad.—New York ing with another load of household goods. faults much sooner and quicker than if Tribune.

they were promiscuously running together .- Farm, Field and Stockman.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES. Gather up the eggs regularly. Don't neglect the incoming cows.

If your cows are not paying for their board, turn them off.

What kind of a bull have you at the head of your dairy herd! Spinach may be sown this month for

early cutting in the spring. Good pasture will keep the swine in best condition at this season. Sweet corn may be had until frost by successive sowings of early varieties. Cutting and burning the bushes and

weeds in pastures represents important Give poultry milk all summer. It is a healthy food and drink for them com-

The American Dairyman recommends a law requiring each owner of a bull to saw its horns off

Give fancy fowl the go by and devote vour attention to those which "pay for their keeping."

In hot weather the churning should be done about the time some butter-makers set the cream away to sour. The Secretary of Agriculture furnishes information by the several divisions of

the department gratuitously to all applicants. The introduction of fresh and limpid cream from separators into towns and such markets has created a growing demand

for the article. If you have heifers that are milking from their first calves, let them be fresh milkers again a year from September to

October. It will pay you. To remedy sun-scald, C. H. English advises to head the tree southwest, plant sunflowers on the south side of the tree and give good cultivation.

Cut away the old canes from raspberry and blackberry bushes as soon as fruit-gathering is over, leaving only those desired for fruiting next season.

Young hogs will do no damage in the orchard, and will pick up all the wormy apples and keep the clover from killing out and the weeds from taking possession of the orchard.

Too much corn is very generally assigned as a cause of hog cholera, and now a farmer advances the opinion that too much corn has been the cause of cholera among his poultry.

The pest of cows, the richest of cream, the newest of machinery, and the handsomest of packages will not insure good butter, if the "knack" of combining all these has not been learned.

The first year after the orchard is planted out the young trees make a large growth, and this is the time advised by a practical orchardist to prune and shape the trees. If you wait a few years you will have to cut off big limbs to shape the tree. Attend to trees while small. It is a light job then and does not injure them.

WISE WORDS.

Any one can act natural by keeping

Every throb of the heart is a new birth. None but the rich can afford "dear" friends.

Competition is a necessity to ... e activity of life.

The only "fall of man" is when he falls behind. Education that restrains the desire to

earn is false. Nothing great was ever achieved with-

One of the sublimest things in the world is plain truth. Of tame beasts, the worst is the flat-

terer; of wild, the slanderer. Charity and personal force are the only investments worth anything. Whatever you dislike in another per-

son take care to correct in yourself by the gentle reproof. Avoid him who, from mere curiosity,

asks three questions running about a thing that cannot interest him. Any one may do a casual act of good nature, but a continuation of them shows

it is a part of the temperament. Who is wise? He that learns from everyone. Who is powerful? He that

governs his passions. Who is rich. He that is content. Affectation is certain deformity; by forming themselves on fantastic models. the young begin with being ridiculous

and often end with being vicious. Sweetness of temper is not acquired but a natural excellence, and, therefore. to recommend it to those who have it not, may be deemed rather an insult than

advice. Women never truly command till they have given their promise to obey, and they are never in more danger of being made slaves than when the men are at

Nothing more impairs authority than a too frequent or indiscreet use of it. If thunder itself was to be continual it would excite no more terror than the noise of a mill.

Nothing sinks a young man into low company, both of men and women, so surely as timidity and diffidence of himself. If he thinks that he shall not, he may depend upon it he will not please, and a degree of persuasion that he shall, it is call it, which holds the upper and under almost certain that he will.

To Identify a Diamond. A ready way of identifying a diamond is given by an expert: Prick a needle hole through a card, and look at it through the doubtful stone. If it is spurious, two holes will be seen distinctly on the card; if it is a diamond only one hole will be visible, for there is no other stone at all resembling the diamond but that gives a double reflection. This property is also made use of for determining an uncertain stone. If the finger is placed behind it, and looked at through the stone with a magnifier, the grain of the skin will be plainly visible if the stone is not a diamond, but otherwise, it will not be distinguished at all. A diamond in a solid setting may be distinguished in the same way; if genuine, the setting at the back cannot be distinguished, but if a false stone, either the foil or the setting may be plainly seen.

A Dead Whale Thought to be an Island. Mariners have been talking about a new island that they have discovered off the was moving from Brookville to Punxsusouth coast of Newfoundland, in latitude | awney, Penn. It was a hilly road and forty-five degrees north, longitude fifty-five west. No such island adorned the While going down a steep hill Moses saw maps, and the hydrographic authorities | large fly on the neck of one of the they will be in good condition when their therefore suspected that an island had horses. It a inoyed the man as much as services will be needed. The young, risen from the sea. The mystery has it did the horse, and the little insect services will be needed. The young, now been dispelled. The Captain of the seused the death of the animal and also too, should be separated, for when they bark Otto, which arrived at Philadelphia of Moses. Elvich, in leaning forward to become troublesome. When there is a the other day from Hamburg, reports that brush away the fly, fell to the ground and judicious separation, and each run having birds about the same size and age, a more ered that it was an enormous dead whale. systematic course of feeding, care and The creature, according to Captain which the fly was sitting broke its leg. management can be given; each lot comes Grundson, was about the largest whale and had to be killed. Elvich was picked New York Sun.

SELECT SIFTINGS.

Turtles will eat meat. Boston has discovered a blue lobster. Quinces originally came from Corinth.

Lee, Me., has neither lawyer, doctor The loss of the French at the battle of

The oldest wheelman in America is John W. Arnold, of Providence, R. I. He is 78 years of age. It is estimated that the Russian cam paign of Napoleon cost the French and

cluding Prussians) was about 23,000.

Waterloo was about 30,000.

their allies about 300,000 men. A mine containing thousands of tons of soap is said to have been discovered within a dozen miles of San Diego, in Cali-

Andrew Young, author of the hymn There Is a Happy Land, Far, Far Away," is eighty years of age and still

Capital punishment is abolished Italy. For some years there was no capital punishment in Switzerland, but the practice has lately been revived there.

For the picture of "The Angelus," which brought \$110,000, at the recent sale of the Secretan collection in Paris, the painter Millet, now dead, received only \$220.

The "Pilgrim's Progress" has just been printed in the Amoy colloquial in Romanized characters, making the eighty-third language in which John Bunyan's book has been issued.

There is now a "Dynamodermic Instistitute of Paris," where the professors offer to smooth out wrinkles by "Electrolysis." The electricity revivifies the skin and makes it young again.

The heat in Russia and other parts of northern Europe has been intense of late. The central observatory at St. Petersburg has not recorded such a high temperature at the same time of the year

The largest annual amount received by any ruler is \$11,858,000, received by Alexander of Russia; the next is \$7,718,-522, received by the Sultan of Turkey, and the next is \$4,501,200, received by the Emperor of Austro-Hungary. It has been estimated that there are

5000 stray horses roaming over Wyoming ranges. Regular round-ups are now made each year and a system of advertising the stray animals that will likely result in returning these strays to owners. A crab that climbs cocoanut trees is

the birgo latis, or robber crab, of the Fanning Island. It cracks the nuts with its claws and waxes fat on the milky elixir found therein. A fine specimen has lately been added to the shell-fish collection in the State museum of Cali-

The collections of books which in the number of the volumes contained surpass all others in the world are the Bibliothe que Nationale at Paris, with about 2,300,-000 printed books and 80,000 manuscripts, and the library of the British Museum at London with 1,500,000 volumes and 50,000 manuscripts.

The national flower of England is the rose; of France, the lily-though the Bonapartes used the violet. Germany has no national flower, nor has Italy; but because popular rulers of those countries preferred respectively the corn flower and the daisy, those may be considered shazzar's sins. The sins come down. His opportunities go up. Weighed in the baland the daisy, those may be considered the national flowers. Austria and Russia have no national flowers.

A Mennonite's Profitable Conscience. John Gunderson, a farmer residing in Worcester township, Montgomery County, Penn., and a devout Mennonite, soon after the rabbit killing season closed last winter, shot one of the long-eared ani-When he realized his error he gave the rabbit to his son, who in turn sold it to a neighbor. But Gunderson's mind troubled him. He knew that he violated a State law and he had no rest. As time went on, the feeling grew upon him so much that he couldn't sleep, and he asked some of his neighbors to inform upon him, so that he could pay the penalty and in that manner ease his mind. But his neighbors refused to do this, and as a last resort Farmer Gunderson iuformed upon himself. The other day he went to Norristown, and, telling the Presiding Judge his crime, the latter went with him to a magistrate, where Gunderson swore that he had violated the law. The magistrate accordingly fined him \$5. The law, however, says that half of the fine shall go to the informer. Gunderson left the office, but soon returned and claimed the \$2.50 due him. It was paid to him and he again departed. In a short time he returned, and in order that none guilty should escape, he lodged information against his son and neighbor. The fine was imposed and Gunderson paid the \$10; but he claimed and was allowed the \$5 due the informant. The farmer's mind had been eased and he went to his home with a clear conscience. If he can collect the \$10 fine he will be \$2.50 ahead of the game, and all because he was whonest man .-

New York Sun. The Half-Moon of the Finger Nail.

The half-moon of the finger nail, which is esteemed so great a beauty, if carefully attended to, will increase in time, and even where it has been almost obliterated, will grow to be very beautiful. Many people think that pushing the skin back from the nail will show it more, and that by this practice the delicate hem, as we skins together, is totally destroyed, and the ends of the fingers have an ugly yellow growth encircling the nail instead of the delicate framework which nature intended. Then the way in which the nail is cut can totally change the shape of the fingers. By cutting the nails close at the sides and keeping the corners from adhering to the skin, hang-nails can be avoided. Where the nails are thin and inclined to break, frequent oiling is necessary, and the nails should never be polished except when some oily substance is used beside the powder. This keeps the nails more pliable, and no matter how thin they are, if properly treated, they are no more liable to break than richer ones. Another thing that is bad for the nails is polishing them too roughly. They should be lightly touched and not rubbed until they become heated. This is one cause of white spots coming on the pail and marring its beauty .- Medical

A Fly the Death of Man and Horse. Moses Elvich, a junk dealer, had a eam of horses, and he thought a great leal of them. He had been engaged to haul a load of furniture for a man who

REV. DR TALMAGE.

THE BROOKLYN DIVINE'S SUNDAY

The loss to the allies at Waterloo (inances, and art found wanting."-Daniel Babylon was the paradise of architecture and driven out from thence the grandes buildings of modern times are only the evi-dence of her fall. The site having been selected for the city, two million men were employed in the rearing of her walls and the building of her works. It was a city sixty miles incircumference. There was a trench all around the city from which the material for the building of the city had been digged. gate on the one side, a street running straight through to the corresponding gate on the other side, so there were fifty streets fifteen miles long. Through the city ran a branch of the river Euphrates. This river somemes overflowed its banks, and to keep it from the ruin of the city a lake was structed, into which the surplus water of this river would run during the time of freshets, and the water was kept in this artificial lake until time of drought, and then this water would stream down over the city. end of the bridge spanning the Euphrates there was a palace—the one palace a mile and a half around, the other palace seven

and brought up in the country and in a mountainous region, and she could not bear this flat district of Babylon; and so, to please his wife, Nebuchadnezzar built in the of the city a mountain 400 feet high. mountain was built out into terraces sup-ported on arches. On the top of these arches a layer of flat stones; on the top of that a layer of reeds and bituman; on the top of that two layers of bricks, closely cemented; on the top of that a heavy sheet of lead, and on the top of that the soil placed—the soil so deep that a Lebanon cedar had room to anchor its roots. There were pumps worked by mighty machinery, fetching up the water from the Euphrates to this hanging garden, as it was called, so that there were fountains

as it was called, so that there were foundams sponting into the sky.

Standing below and looking up it must have seemed as if the clouds were in blossom, or as thought the sky leaned on the shoulder of a cedar. All this Nebuchadnezzar did to please his wife. Well, she ought to have been pleased. I suppose she was pleased. If that would not please her nothing would. There was in that city also the temple of Belus: with towers—one tower the eighth of a mile high, in which there was an tory where astronomers talked to the stars. There was in that temple an image, just one image, which cost what would be our fifty-

wo million dollars.

O what a city! The earth never saw any-O what a city! The earth never saw anything like it, never will see anything like it. And yet I have to tell you that it is going to be destroyed. The King and his Princes are at a feast. They are all intoxicated. Pour out the rich wine into the chalices. Drink to the health of the King. Drink to the glory of Babylon. Drink to a great future.

A thousand Lords reel intoxicated. The King seated upon a chair, with vacant look. King, seated upon a chair, with vacant look,

as intoxicated men will—with vacant look stared at the wall. But soon that vacant ook takes on intensity, and it is an affrighted look: and all the Princes begin to look and wonder what is the matter, and they look at and then it comes up and with sharp tip on the other side of the balance are put Bel

or in some way the equipoise may be a little disturbed. You cannot always depend upon earthiv balances. A pound is not always a pound, and you pay for one thing and you get an-other; but in the balance which is suspended o the throne of God, a pound is a pound, and right is right, and wrong is wrong, and a oul is a soul, and eternity is eternity. has a perfect bushel and a perfect peck and a perfect gallon. When merchants weigh their goods in the wrong way, then the Lord weighs the goods again. If from the imperweighs the goods again. It from the imperfect measure the merchant pours out what pretends to be a gallon of oil and there is less than a gallon, God knows it, and He calls upon His recording angel to mark it: "So much wanting in that measure of oil." The farmer comes in from the country. farmer comes in from the country. He has apples to sell. He has an imperfect measure. He pours out the apples from this imperfect measure. God recognizes it. He says to the recording angel: "Mark down so many appropriate to firm an imperfect measure." We oles too few-an imperfect measure. may cheat ourselves and we may cheat the world, but we cannot cheat God, and in the great day of judgment it will be found out that what we learned in boyhood at school is correct—that twenty-hundred weight make a ton, and one hundred and twenty solid feet make a cord of wood. No more no less. And a religion which does not take hold of this life as well as the life to come is no religion at all. But, my friends, that is not the kind of balances I am to speak of to-day; that is not the kind of weigh measures. I am to speak of that kind of balances which can weigh principles, weigh churches, weigh men, weigh nations, and weigh worlds. "What." you say, "is it pos-sible that our world is to be weighed?". Yes. sible that our world is to be weighed?". Yes. Why, you would think if God put on one side the balances suspended from the throne the Alps, and the Pyrenees, and the Himalayas, and Mount Washington, and all the cities of the earth, they would crush it. No, no. The time will come when God will sit down on the white throne to come the world. down on the white throne to see the world weighed, and on one side will be the world's opportunities, and on the other side the world's sins. Down will go the sins and away world's sins. Down will go the ansam and sod will say to will go the opportunities, and God will say to the messengers with the torch: "Burn that world! Weighed and found wanting!"

God will weigh churches. He takes a great

conjectined on one side the scales and God weighed the French Empire, and Napoleon said: "Have I not enlarged the boulevards?" Did I not kindle the glories of the Champs Elysees? Have I not adorned the Tuileries? Have I not built the gilded Opera House?" Then God weighed that nation, and he put on one side

that man's libertinism, that man's selfishness, that man's godless ambition. This last came ished. What is that voice coming up from Sedan? Weighed and found wanting. But I must become more individual and more personal in my address. Some people say they do not think clergymen ought to be personal in their religious addresses, but ought to deal with subjects in the abstract. I do not think that way. What would you think of a hunter who should go to the Adi ondacks to shoot deer in the abstract? Ah! io. He loads the gun, he puts the butt of it gainst the breast, he runs his eye along the parrel, he takes sure aim, and then crash go the antiecs on the rocks. And so, if we want to be hunters for the Lord, we must take sure aim and fire. Not in the abstract are we to treat things in religious discussi a physician comes into a sick room does he the pulse, takes the die the prescription. And if we want to heal souls for this life and the life to come, we do not want to treat them in the abstract. The

and be weighed first? Here is a moralist who volunteers. He is one of the most upright men in the country. He comes. Well, my brother, get in, get into the balances now and be weighed. But as he gets into the balances, I say: "What is that bundle you have along with you?" "Oh," he says, "that is my reputation for goodness, and kindness, and cherity and generosity and kindliness. and charity, and generosity, and kindliness generally." "O my brother! we cannot generally." "O my brother! we cannot weigh that; we are going to weigh you—you. Now, stand in the scales—you, the moralist. Paid your debts?" "Yes," you say, "paid all my debts." "Have you acted in an upright way in the community?" "Yes, yes." "Have you been kind to the poor? Are you faithful in a thousand relations in

ment, and you and I to-day are being can-vassed, inspected, weighed. Here are the balances of the sanctuary. They are lifted, and we must all be weighed. Who will come and be weighed first? Here is a moralist who

"Yes." "So far so good. But now, before you get out of this scale I want to ask you two or three questions. "Have your thoughts always been right?" "No," you say Put down one mark. "Have you loved "no." Put down one mark. "Have you loved the Lord with all your heart, and soul, and mind, and strength?" "No." you say. Make another mark. "Come, now, be frank and confess that in ten thousand things you have come short—have you not?" "Yes." Make ten thousand marks. Come now, get me a book large enough to make the record of that moralist's deficits. My brother, stand in the scales, do not fly away from them. I put on your side the scales all the good deeds you ever did, all the kind words you ever uttered; but on the other side the scales I put this weight, which God says I must put there—on the other side the scales and opposite to yours I put this weight: "By the deeds of the law snall no flesh living be justified." Weighed and found

wanting.
Still, the balances of the sanctuary are suspended and we are ready to weigh any who come. Who shall be the next? Well, here is a formalist. He comes and he gets into the balances, and as he gets in I see that all his religion is in genuflexions and in outward observances. As he gets into the scales I observances. As he gets into the scales I say: "What is that you have in this pocket?" "Oh," he says, "that is Westminster Assembly "Oh," he says, "that is Westminster Assembly Catechism." I say: "Very good. What have you in that other pocket?" "Oh," he says, "that is the Heidelberg Catechism." "Very good. What is that you have under your arm, standing in this balance of the sanctuary?" "Oh," he says, "that is a church record." "Very good. What are all these books on your side the balances?" "Oh," he says, "those are "Calvin's Institutes." "My brother, we are not weighing books; we are brother, we are not weighing books; we are weighing you. It cannot be said that you are depending for your salvation upon your orthodoxy. Do you not know that the creeds and the forms of religion are merely the scaf-folding for the building? You certainly are not going to mistake the scaffolding for the temple. Do you not know that men have gone erdition with a catechism in their pocket: But," says the man, "I cross myself often."
"Ah! that will not save you." "But," says "Ah! that will not save you." "But," says the man, "I am sympathetic for the poor." "That will not save you." Says the man, "I sat at the communion table." "That will not save you." "But," says the man, "I have had my name on the church records." "That will not save you." But I have been a professor of religion forth years." "That will not save "Ah! that will not save you." of religion forty years." "That will not save you. Stand there on your side the balances you. Stand there on your side the balance and I will give you the advantage—I will let you have all the creeds, all the church records, all the Christian conventions that were ever held, all the communion tables that were ever built, on your side the balances. On th r side the balances I must put what God says I must put there. I put this million pound weight on the other side the balances.
"Having the form of godliness, but denying the power thereof. From such turn away."
Weighed and found wanting.
Still the balances are suspended. Are

there any others who would like to be weighed or who will be weighed? Yes, here comes a worldling. He gets into the scales. I can very easily see what his whole life is made up of. Stocks, dividends, percentages, "buyer ten days," "buyer thirty days." Get in, my friend; get into these balances and be weighed—weighed for this life and weighed for the life to come. He gets in. I find tha the two great questions in his life are, "How cheaply can I buy these goods?" and "How dearly can I sell them?" I find he admires Heaven because it is a land of gold and money

I find from talking with him that religion and the Sabbath are an interruption, a vul-gar interruption, and he hopes on the way to irch to drum up a new customer. All the week he has been weighing fruits, weighing meats, weighing ice, weighing coal weighing confections, weighing worldly and perishable commodities, not realizing the fact that he nimself has been weighed. On your side the balances, O worlding! I will give you full advantage. I put on your side all the banking houses, all the storehouses, all the carall the insurance companies, all the fac money vaults, all the safety deposits-all on your side. But it does not add one ounce, for at the very moment we are congratulating you on your fine house and upon your princely income God and the angels are writing in regard to your soul, "Weighed and

found wanting."
But I must go faster and speak of the final scrutiny. The fact is, my friends, we are moving on amid astounding realities. These pulses which now are drumming the march of life may, after a while, call a halt. We walk on a hair hung bridge over chasms. All around us are dangers making ready to spring on us from ambush. We lie down at night, not knowing whether we shall arise in the morning. We start out for our occupations, not knowing whether we shall come back. Crowns being burnished for thy brow or bolts forged for thy prison. Angels of light ready to shout at thy deliverence, or fiends of darkness stretching up skeleton hands to pull thee down into ruin consummate. Suddenly the judgment will be here. The angel, with one foot on the sea and the other foot on the land, will swear by Him that liveth forever and ever that time shall be no longer:
"Behold, He cometh with clouds, and every
eye shall see Him." Hark to the jarring of the mountains. Why, this is the setting down of the scales, the balances. And then there is a flash as from a cloud, but it is the glitter of the shining balances, and they are hoisted, and all nations are to be weighed. The unforgiven get in on this side the balances They may have weighed themselves and pro They may have weighed themselves and pro-nounced a flattering decision. The world-nay have weighed them and pronounced them moral. Now they are being weighed in God's balances—the balances that can make no mistake. All the property gone, all the titles of distinction gone, all the worldly suc-cesses gone; there is a soul, absolutely nothing but a soul, an immortal soul, a never dying soul, a soul stripped of all worldly ad vantage, a soul-on one side of the scales. Sabbaths, disregarded sermons, ten thousand opportunities of mercy and pardon that were cast aside. They are on the other side the scales, and there God stands, and in the presence of men and devils, cherubim and a angel, He announces, while groaning earth-quake, and crackling conflagration, and judg-ment trumpet, and everlasting storm repeat it: "Weighed in the balance and found

But, say some who are Christians: "Certainly you don't mean to say that we will have to get into the balances. Our sins are all pardoned, our title to heaven is secure Certainly you are not going to put us in the balances?" Yes, my brother. We must al appear before the judgment seat of Christ and on that day you are certainly going to

O follower of Christ, you get into the balances. The bell of the judgment is ringing. You must get into the balances. You get in on this side. On the other side the balances we will place all the opportunities of good which you did not improve, all the attainments in piety which you must have had, but which you refused to take. We place them all on the other side. They go down, and your soul rises in the scale. You cannot weigh against all those imperfections. Well, then, we must give you the advan-tage, and on your side of the scales we will place all the good deeds that you have ever done, and all the kind words you have ever uttered. Too light yet! Well, we must put on your side all the consecration of your life, all the holiness of your life, all the prayers of your life, all the faith of your Christian life, Too light yet! Come, mighty men of the past, and get in on that side the scales. Come

Payson, and Doddridge, and Baxter, get in on that side the scales and make them come down that this righteous one may be saved. They come and they get in the scales. Too light yet! Come, the martyrs, the Latimers, the Wickliffes, the men who suffered at the stake for Christ. Get in on this side the Christian's balances, and see if you cannot help him weigh it aright. They come and get in. Too light yet! Come, angels of God on high. Let not the righteous perish with the wicked. They get in on this side the bal-ances. Too light yet! I put on this side the balances all the scep-ters of light, all the thrones of power, all the growns of glory. Too light yet. But just at

that point, Jesus, the Son of God, comes up to the balances, and He puts one of His scarred to the balances, and Heputsone of his scarred feet on your side, and the balances begin to nuiver and tremble from top to bottom. Then He puts both of His scarred feet on the balances and the Christian's side comes down with a stroke that sets all the bells of heaven ringing. That Rock of Ages heavier than any But, says the Christian, "Am I to be allowed to get off so easily?" Yes. If some one should come and put on the other side the

bg wanting.

Oh! what a glorious hope. Will you accept it this day? Christ making up for what you lack, Christ the atonement for all your sins. Who will accept Him? Will not this whole audience say: "I am insufficient, I am a sinner, I am lost by reason of my trans-gressions, but Christ has paid it all. My Lord, and my God, my life, my pardon, my Heaven. Lord Jesus, I hail thee." Oh! if you could only understand the worth of that sacrifice which I have represented to you under noment accept Christ and be saved. get some illustration by which we may set forth what Christ has done for us. We need

figure—if you could undertand the worth of that sacrifice, this whole audience would this not go so far. I saw a vehicle behind a runaway horse dashing through the street, mother and her two children in the carriage The horse dashed along as though to hurl them to death, and a mounted policeman with a shout clearing the way, and the horse at full run, attempted to seize those runaway horses and to save a calamity, when his own horse fell and rolled over him. He was picked up half dead. Why were our sympathies so the half death was badly hurt, and hurt for others. But I tell you to-day of how Christ, the Son of God, on the blood red horse of sacrifice, came for our rescue, and rode down the sky and rode unto death for our rescue. Are not your hearts touched That was a sacrifice for you and for me. O Thou who didst ride on the red horse of sacrifice! come this hour and ride through this assemblage on the white horse of victory.

Irrigation in Dakota,

The United States Senate Irrigation Committee, of which Senator Stewart of Nevada is Chairman, held a session at Sioux Falls, Dakota, in which statements were submitted by gentlemen interested in irrigation. The principal speaker was Professor Lewis Maclouth, President of the South Dakota Agricultural College at Brookings.

There were hundreds of artesian wells, he said, in the valley of the James River, each including a large flow of water from an average depth of 1000 feet. power thus obtained was now utilized to run steam presses, electric-light dynamos, mills and factories. An inexhaustible supply of water and of water power could therefore be had in this valley by an increase in the number of artesian wells. Some of the wells already flowing gave out 4000 gallons a minute. If the yearly flow of those wells could be saved and stored in reservoirs, to be used as needed so as to supply in the growing season the deficiency in the natural rainfall, it would add enormously to the development of agriculture and turn the entire James River Valley into a luxuriant garden. One thousand such wells, Professor Maclouth says, would add \$400,000,000 to the value of the land in that region.

The committee saw the working of an artesian well that supplies water and water power to this city. Four large hose pipes were connected with the street hydrants, and threw into the air a stream of water eighty feet high .- New York

Oneer Inventions.

A genius from Ohio with warlike proclivities, claims to have perfected a bullet-proof shield. The soldier is supposed to carry it before him when in batile, and is so made that the bullets of the enemy are expected to glance off. The hields are so formed that they may be locked together and form breastworks for the entire army. The fellow who suffers from cold is recommended to procure a foot-warmer, kindly conceived by a Hoosier. Two miniature lamps are inclosed in boxes, connected by a hollow tube; midway between the boxes there is vent in the tube by which the surplus heat passes away. The feet rest on the hollow tube, the lamps supplying the

warmth. Roger Connor, "Buck" Ewing and Danny Richardson and other sluggers are reminded that base-bell bats have been discovered which, the inventor claims, will materially improve their averages. The core is bored from the stick, and a metalic tube inserted. Nuts are screwed to the ends of the tube. Balky horses are treated to bandages fastened to wagons which, kick as they may, they cannot smash.

It may not be generally known that Abraham Lincoln once essayed to become an inventor. The product of his skill shows a series of bellows-shaped contrivances which are supposed to be used to lift a beached steamer into water of proper depth.-New York Press.

"The Newest Game." The newest game takes the form of an information party, and is begun by passing to each gentleman a card and to the ladies small pieces of paper, which should be numbered. Those who discover the same number on their card and paper are partners for the game. Each couple nust think of a question, sensible or ridiculous, historical or in regard to the weather, to be written on the cards, after which the cards are to be gathered together, and the leader reads each in turn. giving a few moments for the partners to consider the subject and write the answer, which should be read aloud in turn. This is where the fun of the game begins, as many of the answers are exceedingly queer. Those having a correct answer mark their cards 10, a wrong answer 0, and if the answer is anywhere near right it is counted 5. When all are added prizes may be distributed as in progressive games for the best and the poorest record. The instructive part of the game is the discussion which follows the questions. The height of the Bunker Hill monument is what everybody living near it ought to know, and yet at an information party held a few evening ago only one person in a company of twenty was sure of the exact number of ford Boston Traveler.

Medical Properties of Vegetables. The following information may be useful to some if not new to many:

Spinach has a direct effect upon the The common dandelion, used as greens, is excellent for the same trouble. Asparagus purges the blood. Celery acts admirably upon the nervous system, and is a cure for rheumatism and neural-

Tomatoes act upon the liver. Beets and turnips are excellent appetizers. Lettuce and cucumbers are cooling in

their effects upon the system. Onions, garlic, leeks, olives and shalots, all of which are similar, possess medicinal virtues of a marked character, stimulating the circulatory system and the consequent increase of the saliva and the gastric juice promoting digestion. Red onions are an excellent diuretic, and the white ones are recommended to be eaten raw as a remedy for insomnia

They are a tonic and nutritious. A soup made from onions is regarded in debility of the digestive organs .-Scientific American

Found the Bones of a Monster.

D. I. Brewer, proprietor of a flouring

nill at St. James, Nev., while digging

for the purpose of making repairs to his

mill dam, unearthed the remains of a

pre-historic monster that probably roamed the prairies hundreds, if not thousands, of years ago. About thirty-six feet of legs, have thus far been brought to light. Sections of the backbone measure fully six inches across. Some are in a fair state of preservation, while others crumble when exposed to the air. It is estimated that the monster must have stood

fully fifteen feet high .- New York Times.

A Pennsylvania Idolater.

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TEXT: "Thou art weighed in the balthe city; between every two gates a tower of

and a half miles around.

The wife of Nebuchadnezzar had been born

selus, with towers-one tower the eighth of

he same point on the wall. And then there rops a darkness into the room and puts out the blaze of the golden plate, and out of the sleeve of the darkness there comes a fingerfinger of fiery terror circling around and circling around as though it would write; flame it inscribes on the plastering of the wall the doom of the King: "Weighed in the balances and found wanting. The bang of heavy fists against the gates of the pal-ace are followed by the breaking in of the doors. A thousand gleaming knives strike into a thousand quivering hearts. Now Death is King, and he is seated on a throne of corpses. In that hall there is a balance lifted. God swung it. On one side of the balance are put Belshazzar's opportunities

in our country with false weights and meas ures and balances, and the government, to change that state of things, appointed commissioners whose business it was to stamp weights and measures and balances, and a great deal of the wrong has been corrected. But still, after all, there is no such thing as a perfect balance on sarth. The chain may break or some of the metal may be clipped,

church. That great church, according to the worldly estimate, must be weighed. He puts it on one side the balances, and the min and the choir and the building that cost its hundreds of thousands of dollars, He puts them on one side the balances. On the other side of that scale He puts what that church ought to be, what its consecration ought be, what its sympathy for the poor ought to what its devotion to all good ought to be. That is on one side. That side comes down, and the church, not being able to stand the test, rises in the balances. It does not make any difference about your magnificent machinery. A church is built for one thing—to save souls. If it saves a few souls when it might save a multitude of souls, God will spew it out of His mouth. Weighed and found wanting! So God estimates nations. How many times He has put the Spanish monarchy into the scales, and found it insufficient and condemned it! The French Empire was

of the scales the Emperor and the boule-vards, and the Tuileries, and the Champs Elysees, and the gilded Opera House, and on the other side he put that man's abomination

fact is, you and I have a malady which, if uncured by grace, will kill us forever. Now, I want no abstraction. Where is the balm? Where is the physician?

People say there is a day of judgment com-

one should come and put on the other side the scales all our imperfections, all your envies, all your jealousies, all your inconsistences of life, they would not budge the scales with Christ on your side the scales. Go free! There is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus. Chains broken, prison houses opened, sins pardoned. Go free! Weighed in the balances, and nothing, nothing wanting.